

RESTORING AN INTERRUPTED SWITCHED CONNECTION

ABSTRACT

A system for restoring an interrupted switched connection
5 between subscribers in a communications network includes a
first transfer node for transmitting and receiving signals in
the communications network, and a second transfer node for
transmitting and receiving signals in the communications
network. A network controller establishes a protected channel
10 between the first and second transfer nodes, establishes a
switched connection between the first and second transfer
nodes in the protected channel, and restores the switched
connection by restoring the protected channel if the switched
connection is interrupted as a result of an interruption in
15 the protected channel.